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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
 )  
Plaintiff, )  
 )  
v. )  
 )  
APPROXIMATELY \$270,380 IN UNITED )  
STATES CURRENCY, )  
 )  
Defendant. )

No. 09 - 05355 SBA

**STIPULATION TO STAY PROCEEDING  
and ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between plaintiff United States of America and potential claimants Billy and Connie Rainer, through undersigned counsel, that this action be stayed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(g) and 21 U.S.C. § 881(I).

On July 1, 2009, potential claimants were arrested for allegedly growing marijuana on the property where the defendant currency was seized, and the criminal case is currently being prosecuted in the Superior Court for the State of California in Lake County. The allegations in the present forfeiture complaint are related to the allegations at issue in the related criminal indictment and, consequently, the parties agree that a stay in the forfeiture proceeding for 180 days is necessary, because continuation of the forfeiture proceeding will burden the right of the

claimant against self-incrimination in the related criminal case and will adversely affect the prosecution of the related criminal case.

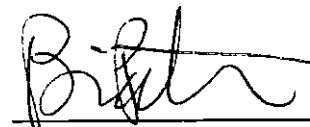
IT IS SO STIPULATED:

JOSEPH P. RUSSONIELLO  
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Dated: 12/07/09

  
DAVID COUNTRYMAN  
Assistant United States Attorney

Dated: 12/04/09

  
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Attorney for Potential Claimants  
Billy and Connie Rainer

**ORDER GRANTING STAY**

UPON CONSIDERATION of the Stipulation to Stay, the entire record, and for good cause shown, it is by the Court on this 21st day of DECEMBER, 2009

ORDERED that the instant case be, and hereby is, STAYED, until JUNE 21, 2010, at 9:00 AM pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(g).

  
HONORABLE SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG  
United States District Judge